

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This joint memorial calls for federal acknowledgement and redress of problems related to the Office of Management and Budget's method for designating metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) in Idaho. Current policies force rural counties housing large federal installations to receive metropolitan designations, and those designations disrupt grant eligibility and other economic opportunities that the county would otherwise receive. Therefore, designation as a metropolitan rather than rural area is an unfair consequence of the OMB's current policy, and we should call on federal authorities to ensure that relevant rural counties are not negatively impacted by statistical area designations imposed by the Office of Management and Budget.

### FISCAL NOTE

There is no anticipated impact to the general fund or other state funds.

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